

Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 ABU DH 00823 151039Z

42

ACTION NEA-09

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 SY-05 USSS-00 EB-07 SS-15 NSC-05 IO-10

PRS-01 USIA-15 /068 W

----- 013385

R 151000Z APR 75

FM AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2842

USUN NEW YORK 85

UNCLAS ABU DHABI 823

E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: OVIP, BTRA, TC

SUBJ: PRIVATE VISIT TO U.S. OF SHAIKH SUROOR

1. SHAIKH SUROOR BIN MOHAMMED, CHIEF OF SHAIKH ZAYID'S DIWAN AND HEAD OF ABU DHABI DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND ELECTRICITY, IS MAKING THREE-WEEK PRIVATE VISIT TO U.S. APRIL 20-MAY 8. FIRST NATIONAL CITY BANK IS HANDLING ARRANGEMENTS FOR HIS VISIT. SUROOR WILL BE GOING TO NEW YORK, MONTREAL, OKLAHOMA (AT INVITATION PHILLIPS PETROLEUM), LAS VEGAS, LOS ANGELES, SAN FRANCISCO (WHERE HE WILL BE GUEST OF BECHTEL) AND MIAMI AND THEN RETURNING HERE VIA EUROPE. THIS IS SUROOR'S FIRST TRIP TO THE U.S.. HIS PRIMARY MOTIVATION IS TO MIX BUSINESS WITH SIGHT-SEEING TO GET GOOD PICTURE U.S.A. WE HAVE OFFERED TO ARRANGE CALL ON APPROPRIATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS BUT HE HAS POLITELY DECLINED WITH EXPLANATION THAT HE UNINVOLVED IN FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND WISHES TO KEEP THIS VISIT ENTIRELY PRIVATE. HIS BUSINESS CONTACTS WILL BE ONES CONNECTED WITH PROJECTS IN WHICH HIS OWN PERSONAL FINANCES ARE INVOLVED AS WELL AS ONES IN FIELDS OF ELECTRICAL POWER, DESALTING, AND WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS IN CONNECTION HIS OFFICIAL DUTIES. WE HAVE PUT HIM IN TOUCH WITH SEVERAL FIRMS IN THESE FIELDS AND FNCB WILL ARRANGE OTHER CONTACTS.

2. ACTION REQUESTED: SUROOR IS COUSIN OF SHAIKH ZAYID, AND IMPORTANT OFFICIAL FOR OUR OPERATIONS HERE. WHILE SUROOR'S VISIT ENTIRELY PRIVATE, IT WOULD BE COURTESY VERY MUCH
UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 ABU DH 00823 151039Z

APPRECIATED BY HIM IF ONEONE FROM USUN COULD MEET HIM

UPON ARRIVAL OF JFK AIRPORT AND CONVEY MESSAGE THAT DEPT.
WOULD BE HAPPY TO BE OF ASSISTANCE SHOULD ANY NEED ARISE.
HIS ETA IS 1335 APRIL 20 ON PA 101. WE UNDERSTAND THAT
AMBASSADOR GHOBASH FROM WASHINGTON AND UASG/UN REP
HUMAIAN ARE PLANNING TO MEET HIM ON ARRIVAL. OTHER THAN
THIS GESTURE WHICH WE HOPE USUN CAN MAKE, WE ANTICIPATE
NO FURTHER NEED TO BE INVOLVED IN SUROOR VISIT.
STERNER

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: n/a
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 15 APR 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: n/a
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01 JAN 1960
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975ABUDH00823
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750131-0232
From: ABU DHABI
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t19750455/aaaabyoy.tel
Line Count: 69
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION NEA
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: ShawDG
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 27 JUN 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <27 JUN 2003 by BalzMJ>; APPROVED <28 JAN 2004 by ShawDG>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
05 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: PRIVATE VISIT TO U.S. OF SHAIKH SUROOR
TAGS: OVIP, BTRA, TC, (SUROOR BIN MONAMMED)
To: STATE USUN NEW YORK
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 05 JUL 2006